

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, beginning at line 10 and ending at line 21, please amend the paragraph as follows:

Brief Description of the Invention: Of interest here are tubular films which are used as enclosure of pasty foods or non-foods. They are generally offered as cut pieces closed at one end which is provided with a loop. Generally, the closure of the cut piece is at the same time made of the same material as the loop itself. ~~cut piece made of the same material as the cut pieces.~~ The yarn for the loop can consist of highly varied materials. Illustratively, "Wursthüllen Kunstdarm" [Sausage casings, artificial sausage casing], 2nd Edition 1991 by Mr Gerhard Effenberger, pages 54 and 55, discloses yarns of cotton oriented polypropylene, polyamide or polyester and mixtures of various plastic types of material. The yarns can be used in the most varied constructions, e.g., braided, double, triple, six-fold or eight-fold twisted yarn or dyed, with or without a core.